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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

SUBJECT : National Intelligence Surveys

REFERENCE : Your memorandum, same subject, dated 5 April 1954
covering recommended changes in the NIS Program

1. By reference memorandum you recommend that the Department of the Army (Office of the Surgeon General) be relieved of the production responsibility for NIS Section 45 - Health and Sanitation. The Department of the Army has had this responsibility since the beginning of the NIS Program, but you indicate that this responsibility seriously impairs the capability of the Surgeon General to produce intelligence more useful to military medicine. You further state that the Central Intelligence Agency is now believed to be the appropriate agency to prepare Section 45.

2. Pursuant to your recommendation, the NIS Committee examined this matter and concluded that, were the Department of the Army to be relieved of this responsibility, the Office of Scientific Intelligence, CIA, would be the best qualified of the remaining intelligence agencies to undertake the production responsibility for Section 45.

3. However, the Office of Scientific Intelligence is concerned only with fundamental research in the basic sciences. The assumption of the production responsibility for Section 45 would, therefore, require the development of an entirely new capability by this Agency.

4. While certain aspects of Section 45 may well extend beyond the immediate field and interests of military medicine, they would

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appear to have a bearing on military planning and on such activities as Military Government. It would thus seem that this broader requirement is appropriately vested in the Defense Department where the military aspects can be given fundamental emphasis.

5. I have therefore concluded that the production responsibility for Section 45 should not be assumed by this Agency. I appreciate the difficulties faced by all of the intelligence agencies in carrying out their assigned missions, yet the importance of the NIS Program to the national security is such as to require the continual fulfillment of production responsibilities appropriate to those missions.

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Director

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Intelligence
Washington 25, D.C.

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5 Apr 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: National Intelligence Surveys

1. It has been brought to my attention that certain aspects of the National Intelligence Survey Program could be improved by making certain changes. Accordingly I have had an intensive study of the program, including all aspects of Army interest conducted recently by members of my staff.

2. Most of the improvements recommended to me concerned matters within the Army and on which I am taking action. A few suggestions, however, require action by your agency.

3. I would appreciate any consideration you can give to the inclosed recommendations.

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Recommendations, NIS

/s/ Arthur G. Trudeau
/t/ ARTHUR G. TRUDEAU
Major General, GS
A.C. of S., G-2

RECOMMENDED CHANGES IN NIS PROGRAM

DISCUSSION

1. Concurrences

There are several sections for which the assignment of production responsibility indicates the agency responsible, and then reads "(with joint assistance)". To date this phrase has been nearly meaningless from our viewpoint in that neither contributions nor concurrences have been requested by the responsible agency. Although there is no objection entered here to any of the material published by the responsible agencies, it is felt that, because some of the subjects with this type of assignment are of vital interest to other agencies, a concurrence by those agencies before publication would be in order.

2. Production and Maintenance

a. The minimum requirement, as established by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is to produce eight NIS's each year. At the time this requirement was determined, the consequent added workload was recognized and, in 1950, additional personnel were authorized for the contributing agencies for that purpose. Subsequent personnel reductions have operated to eliminate the augmentation for the production of the NIS, since there has been no reduction in functions or responsibilities in other fields. Although part of this loss of personnel has been balanced by increased efficiency, dropping less important activities and the like, the ability to produce eight NIS's per year is becoming more tenuous each year.

b. Conversely, the volume of each segment of the NIS has tended to increase as the program continues. This serves to increase the workload and is due to a combination of users' demand and the availability of more information.

c. At this time, most of the high priority countries have been covered, and, therefore, the initial urgency to produce new NIS material on those countries no longer exists.

d. It has become essential that personnel be made available for maintaining the up-to-dateness of the NIS as well as for producing new and revised NIS's.

3. Chapter VIII Coordination

The responsibility for the coordination of Chapter VIII, Armed Forces, has rested with the Army since the beginning of the program. Each of the Army, Navy and Air Force have equal interest in this Chapter, and it would appear proper to rotate the Chapter coordination responsibility periodically.

4. Section 45 Responsibility

Section 45, Health and Sanitation, is assigned to Army. The work has been accomplished by the intelligence office of the Surgeon General. At the time that this assignment was made, the Surgeon General was probably the most competent agency to prepare Section 45, although the subject is of only incidental interest to military medicine. The production of MIS material by the Surgeon General seriously impairs his capability to produce intelligence more useful to military medicine. On the other hand, it is believed that the Central Intelligence Agency is now the appropriate agency to prepare Section 45.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Concurrences

a. Section 11, Strategic Significance of the MIS Area, CIA (with joint assistance) be changed to read: "CIA (with joint concurrence)".

b. Section 55, National Policies, State (with joint assistance) be changed to read: "State (with joint concurrence)".

c. Section 56, Intelligence and Security, CIA (with joint assistance) be changed to read: "CIA (with joint concurrence)".

d. Section 57, Subversive, State (with joint assistance) be changed to read: "State (with joint concurrence)".

e. Subsection 62C, Petroleum, State (with the assistance of the Department of the Interior) be changed to read: "State (with the assistance of the Department of the Interior and with joint concurrence)".

2. Production and Maintenance

a. The minimum requirement of MIS production be reduced to six per year.

b. An effective system of timely maintenance be established.

3. Chapter VIII Coordination

The responsibility for coordinating Chapter VIII and of preparing Sections 13 and 80, be rotated to the Navy and Air Force in turn on a three to five year basis.

4. Section 45 Responsibility

The Army be relieved of production responsibility for Section 45.

MEMORANDUM FOR: D/DCI

It is my belief that Section 45 is an appropriate responsibility for the Surgeon General and that we should take a strong stand in insisting that they continue the work. To include a paragraph as you suggest might be construed as an invitation to request that we assume the responsibility.

I am also concerned that to accept this responsibility might well set a precedent for additional requests for us to take over other sections because of budgetary and ceiling difficulties.

As the 1956 budget has already been submitted to the Budget Bureau, it would appear appropriate, if necessary at a later date, to secure the funds from the contingency. Should we assume the responsibility the cost on an annual basis would be roughly \$65,000.

Also his letter was dated April

RAJR.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Tamm -

Why not ^{add} a para. to effect that if the Army insists that CIA assume responsibility for him to say so in time for arrangements be included in '56 Budget?

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. LES

Attached for your signature is the recommended reply to para. 4 of General Trudeau's memorandum of 5 April 1954 in which he requested that the production responsibility for NIS Section 45, "Health and Sanitation", be transferred from the Surgeon General to CIA. Inasmuch as Section 45 is an appropriate responsibility for the Surgeon General and General Trudeau's recommendation appears to result largely from budgetary and ceiling difficulties, it is believed that it would be inadvisable for CIA to assume the responsibility. To undertake the work in OSI would require the development of an entirely new capability, including the provision of additional ceiling and funds.

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